

Senate Study Bill 1239 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
WAYS AND MEANS BILL BY
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to an exemption from sales tax for the sales
2 price from furnishing certain environmental testing
3 services.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 423.2, subsection 6, paragraph a, Code
2 2013, is amended to read as follows:

3 a. The sales price of any of the following enumerated
4 services is subject to the tax imposed by subsection
5 5: alteration and garment repair; armored car; vehicle
6 repair; battery, tire, and allied; investment counseling;
7 service charges of all financial institutions; barber and
8 beauty; boat repair; vehicle wash and wax; campgrounds;
9 carpentry; roof, shingle, and glass repair; dance schools
10 and dance studios; dating services; dry cleaning, pressing,
11 dyeing, and laundering; electrical and electronic repair
12 and installation; excavating and grading; farm implement
13 repair of all kinds; flying service; furniture, rug, carpet,
14 and upholstery repair and cleaning; fur storage and repair;
15 golf and country clubs and all commercial recreation; gun
16 and camera repair; house and building moving; household
17 appliance, television, and radio repair; janitorial and
18 building maintenance or cleaning; jewelry and watch repair;
19 lawn care, landscaping, and tree trimming and removal;
20 limousine service, including driver; machine operator; machine
21 repair of all kinds; motor repair; motorcycle, scooter, and
22 bicycle repair; oilers and lubricators; office and business
23 machine repair; painting, papering, and interior decorating;
24 parking facilities; pay television; pet grooming; pipe
25 fitting and plumbing; wood preparation; executive search
26 agencies; private employment agencies, excluding services
27 for placing a person in employment where the principal place
28 of employment of that person is to be located outside of the
29 state; reflexology; security and detective services; sewage
30 services for nonresidential commercial operations; sewing
31 and stitching; shoe repair and shoeshine; sign construction
32 and installation; storage of household goods, mini-storage,
33 and warehousing of raw agricultural products; swimming pool
34 cleaning and maintenance; tanning beds or salons; taxidermy
35 services; telephone answering service; test laboratories,

1 including mobile testing laboratories and field testing by
2 testing laboratories, and excluding tests on humans or animals
3 and excluding environmental testing services; termite, bug,
4 roach, and pest eradicators; tin and sheet metal repair;
5 transportation service consisting of the rental of recreational
6 vehicles or recreational boats, or the rental of motor vehicles
7 subject to registration which are registered for a gross
8 weight of thirteen tons or less for a period of sixty days or
9 less, or the rental of aircraft for a period of sixty days or
10 less; Turkish baths, massage, and reducing salons, excluding
11 services provided by massage therapists licensed under chapter
12 152C; water conditioning and softening; weighing; welding;
13 well drilling; wrapping, packing, and packaging of merchandise
14 other than processed meat, fish, fowl, and vegetables; wrecking
15 service; wrecker and towing.

16 Sec. 2. Section 423.3, Code 2013, is amended by adding the
17 following new subsection:

18 NEW SUBSECTION. 99. The sales price from the furnishing
19 of environmental testing services performed at a laboratory,
20 in the field, or by a mobile testing service. For purposes
21 of this subsection, "*environmental testing*" means the physical
22 or chemical analysis of soil, water, wastewater, air, or
23 solid waste performed in order to ascertain the presence of
24 environmental contamination or degradation.

25 EXPLANATION

26 This bill provides a sales tax exemption for the furnishing
27 of environmental testing services performed at a laboratory,
28 in the field, or by a mobile testing service. "Environmental
29 testing" means the physical or chemical analysis of soil,
30 water, wastewater, air, or solid waste performed in order
31 to ascertain the presence of environmental contamination or
32 degradation.

33 By operation of Code section 423.6, an item exempt from the
34 imposition of the sales tax is also exempt from the use tax
35 imposed in Code section 423.5.